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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the documents also is provided.

FEE

Also enclosed is a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in or credit any overpayment of this fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper also is enclosed.

REMARKS

It is noted that the Examiner has returned an annotated copy of the citation form submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 23, 2001, in the application. In the annotated copy, the Examiner has "struck through" the entries referring to partial translations of three Japanese patent documents. In a telephone conversation on or about September 11, 2003, the Examiner explained that he did not believe these entries were presented in a proper form. However, the Examiner said he did, in fact, consider the cited Japanese patent documents corresponding to the entries, to the extent possible, along with the other cited patent documents when examining the application.

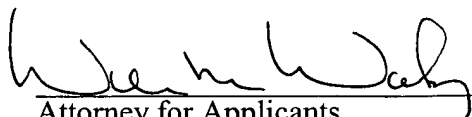
CONCLUSION

It is earnestly believed that all requirements for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement have been satisfied.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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